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**KEY CONSTITUTIONAL CONCEPTS. PART ONE: CREATING A CONSTITUTION**

**\_\_\_\_\_1. What did history say to the Founding Fathers about the prospects of the Constitution working as a national government?**

A. Written constitutions worked well.

B. Written constitutions usually failed.

C. Governments should not be limited.

D. Citizens should obey tyrants.

**\_\_\_\_\_2. How did many 19th Century historians portray George Washington, Ben Franklin, James Madison, and the other Founding Fathers?**

A. They were misguided and wrong.

B. They were racists and sexist.

C. They were god-like deities.

D. They were hungry for power.

**\_\_\_\_\_3. How long did Ben Franklin, the elder statesman of the Constitutional Convention, believe that the Constitution would survive as the law of the land?**

A. for eternity

B. for three generations

C. for a thousand years

D. for about a decade

**\_\_\_\_\_4. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?**

A. Thomas Jefferson

B. James Madison

C. Benjamin Franklin

D. George Washington

**\_\_\_\_\_5. What was the first government of the United States of America – which failed, after attempting to unify the states from 1781 – 1787?**

A. The Albany Plan of Union

B. The Declaration of Independence

C. The Articles of Confederation

D. The Parliamentary Procedure

**\_\_\_\_\_6. The Articles of Confederation did not have the power to –**

A. conduct warfare.

B. tax.

C. organize western territories.

D. sign treaties with foreign nations.

**\_\_\_\_\_7. What 1786 incident in Massachusetts proved that the Articles of Confederation could not maintain order and social harmony in the states?**

A. Fries Rebellion

B. The Whiskey Rebellion

C. Shays’ Rebellion

D. Bacon’s Rebellion

**\_\_\_\_\_8. Who was the only person to arrive at the Constitutional Convention with a real plan of government prepared?**

A. George Washington

B. Thomas Jefferson

C. Benjamin Franklin

D. James Madison

**\_\_\_\_\_9. Dr. Carol Berkin states that on the third day of the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, the delegates –**

A. proposed a bicameral Congress.

B. decided on a separation of powers.

C. overthrew the government!

D. chose to allow slavery in the US.

**\_\_\_\_\_10. People who wrote the Constitution believed that concentrated power was –**

A. dangerous

B. necessary for the executive branch.

C. only effective in the legislature.

D. to be controlled by the states only.

**\_\_\_\_\_11. Under proportional representation –**

A. every state would have an equal

number of votes.

B. more populated states would have

greater voting power.

**\_\_\_\_\_12. The Great Compromise which was proposed by Roger Sherman created –**

A. a bicameral legislature.

B. the House of Representatives.

C. the Senate, with two senators each.

D. all of the above were included.

**\_\_\_\_\_13. The so-called Three-Fifths Compromise gave more power to –**

A. Southern States.

B. Northern States.

C. states which favored industry.

D. states where women could vote.

**\_\_\_\_\_14. Which of the following groups was denied the vote by the Constitution of the United States?**

A. women

B. African-Americans

C. people who did not own property.

D. all of the above.

**\_\_\_\_\_15. What was the greatest Constitutional crisis in American History, according to the documentary?**

A. The Civil War

B. The Revolutionary War

C. “Jim Crow” Laws

D. World War II

**\_\_\_\_\_16. The fifth article of the Constitution allowed for the document to be –**

A. ratified

B. amended

C. suspended by the President

D. ignored by the military.

**\_\_\_\_\_17. How many amendments are in the Bill of Rights?**

A. twelve

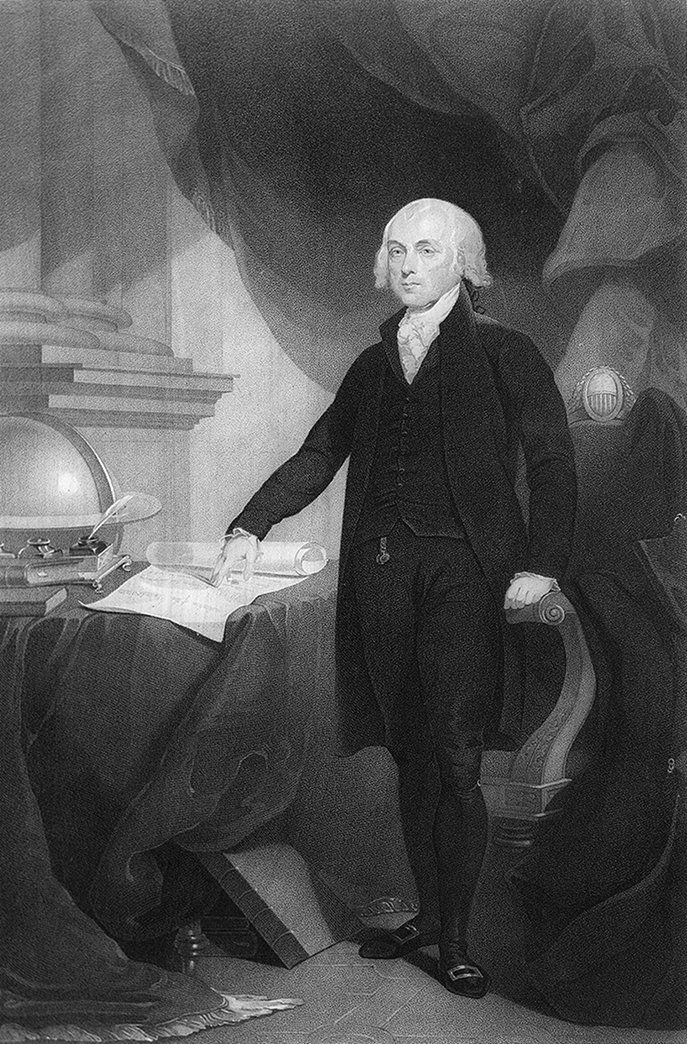
B. ten

C. six

D. five



The Constitutional Convention, 1787, Philadelphia



James Madison, “The Father of the Constitution,” 1789